

In the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:
a port;
a storage medium coupled to and accessed by a controller, wherein the storage medium is to store ~~[[a]]~~ an encrypted unique identifier of the apparatus, ~~and security~~ encrypted identity information of an individual pre-associated with the apparatus, and an encrypted log of unique identifiers of locations the apparatus and the individual have visited ~~to be accessed by the controller;~~
the controller, coupled to the port, to record in the encrypted log on the storage medium, a unique identifier corresponding to a data identifying locations location the apparatus and the individual have visited; ~~and~~
the controller to prevent restrict the individual from modifying the encrypted unique identifier of the apparatus, encrypted identity information of the individual pre-associated with the apparatus, and the encrypted log of unique identifiers of locations the apparatus and the individual have visited, data identifying locations as stored in the storage medium; and
the controller, in response to a request from an authorized requestor, to provide to the authorized requestor, one or more of the unique identifier of the apparatus, identity information of the individual pre-associated with the apparatus, and the log of unique identifiers of the data identifying locations the apparatus and the individual have visited.
2. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the port comprises any one of a firewire port, USB port or an infiniband port.
3. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the storage medium comprises a memory.
- 4-9. (Canceled)
10. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the security information can be enhanced or modified by downloading data to the apparatus.

11. (Currently Amended) A system for allowing for secure identification of an individual when accessing information, comprising:

a central hub;

a plurality of key touchpoints coupled to the central hub; and

at least one device coupled to at least one of a plurality of key touchpoints, the at least one device comprising:

a port;

a storage medium coupled to and accessed by a controller, wherein the storage medium is to store an encrypted unique identifier of the apparatus, encrypted identity information of an individual pre-associated with the apparatus, and an encrypted log of unique identifiers of locations the apparatus and the individual have visited;

the controller, coupled to the port, to record in the encrypted log on the storage medium, a unique identifier corresponding to a location the apparatus and the individual have visited;

the controller to restrict the individual from modifying the encrypted unique identifier of the apparatus, encrypted identity information of the individual pre-associated with the apparatus, and the encrypted log of unique identifiers of locations the apparatus and the individual have visited, as stored in the storage medium; and

the controller, in response to a request from an authorized requestor, to provide to the authorized requestor, one or more of the unique identifier of the apparatus, identity information of the individual pre-associated with the apparatus, and the log of unique identifiers of locations the apparatus and the individual have visited.

~~a storage medium coupled to a controller wherein the storage medium is to store a unique identifier of the at least one device and security information of an individual to be accessed by the controller;~~

~~the controller coupled to the port to record on the storage medium data identifying locations the at least one device and the individual have visited and to prevent the individual from modifying the data identifying locations as stored in the storage medium; and~~

~~the controller, in response to a request, to provide the data identifying locations the at least one device and the individual have visited.~~

12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the port comprises any one of a firewire port, USB port or an infiniband port.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein each of at least one touchpoints comprises a personal computer.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the storage medium comprises a memory.

15-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the security information within the at least one device can be enhanced or modified by downloading data to the at least one device.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the key touchpoint comprises any one of airports, car rentals, or banks.